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SUBJECT: MBFR: JUNE 18 MEETING OF AD HOC GROUP

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FROM US MBFR REP

1. BEGIN SUMMARY. AD HOC GROUP RECEIVED CANADIAN AND US REP' S

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REPORTS OF SOVIET REP' S DESIRE TO HOLD ONLY ONE FINAL PLENARY.

GROUP AGRO TO APPROACH SOVIET REP ON JUNE 20 WITH PROPOSAL TO SET DATE OF JUNE 28 FOR FINAL PLENARY AND TO ISSUE PRESS RELEASE ANTICIPATING THE PLENARY. GROUP AGREED NOT TO TAKE INITIATIVE TO SEEK INCORPORATION OF ROMANIAN AMENDMENT IN DRAFT OF FINAL COMMUNIQUE. BELGIAN REP REPORTED NEW INSTRUCTIONS PERMITTING HIS CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN AD HOC GROUP. HE ALSO AGREED TO ASK BRUSSELS TO AGREE TO SERVE AS WESTERN CONTACT POINT WITH AUSTRIAN AUTHORITIES AND POLES DURING PERIOD BEFORE NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN. EFFORTS TO FIND BUILDING SUITABLE FOR SCALED DOWN WESTERN FACILITY CONTINUE. END SUMMARY.

2. CANADIAN REP (GRANDE) -- WHO CONTINUED TO ACT AS CHAIRMAN PENDING RETURN TO VIENNA OF DANISH REP -- DISTRIBUTED MEMCON OF MEETING EARLIER ON JUNE 18 WITH SOVIET REP (KHLESTOV) (TEXT BY AIRGRAM). SOVIET REP THANKED WESTERN DELEGATIONS FOR THEIR PATIENCE AND HOPED FOR CONTINUATION OF FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE. HE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS ON TWO POINTS -- PHRASE ABOUT "SCOPE AND TIMING" IN DRAFT COMMUNIQUE (VIENNA 4814) AND DATE FOR NEGOTIATIONS. SOVIET REP EXPECTED INSTRUCTIONS IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, AND HOPED THAT INITIAL CONSULTATIONS WERE NOW IN THEIR FINAL WEEK OR MIGHT EXTEND ONLY ONE OR TWO DAYS INTO NEXT WEEK. SOVIET REP IMPLIED THAT SOME UNSPECIFIED WESTERN DELEGATION OR DELEGATIONS MIGHT BE WILLING TO ACCEPT A DATE LATER THAN OCTOBER 30 BUT BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR. ASKED ABOUT WILLINGNESS TO HOLD A PLENARY ON JUNE 20, SOVIET REP STATED EASTERN GROUP WAS UNANIMOUS THAT NEXT PLENARY SHOULD BE THE FINAL ONE WHICH WOULD "SOLEMNLY AND BEAUTIFULLY" ADOPT THE COMMUNIQUE. A PLENARY BEFORE THAT WOULD BE UNPRODUCTIVE, AND CANADIAN REP UNDERSTOOD SOVIET COLLEAGUE TO IMPLY EAST WOULD NOT ATTEND A PLENARY ON JUNE 20. SOVIET REP DECLINED TO MOVE TO CHECKING OF TRANSLATIONS UNTIL HE HAD FORMAL APPROVAL OF TEXT FROM HIS AUTHORITIES.

3. US REP REPORTED CONVERSATION WITH KHLESTOV AT SOCIAL OCCASION ON JUNE 16 WHICH PARALLELED CANADIAN REPORT, SOVIET REP INDICATED THERE WOULD BE NO RESPONSE UNTIL THE MATTER HAD BEEN DEALT WITH BY BREZHNEV IN THE US; SOVIET REP PERSONALLY REGRETTED THIS OUTCOME AND WOULD APPARENTLY HAVE PREFERRED EARLIER RESOLUTION OF THE QUESTION OF A DATE FOR NEGOTIATIONS. SOVIET REP CONFIRMED ACCEPTABILITY OF THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE TEXT
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IN STRONGER TERMS THAN HE HAD USED WITH CANADIAN REP. ON THE QUESTION OF ROMANIAN PROPOSAL TO AMEND SENTENCE IN DRAFT COMMUNIQUE ON UNDIMINISHED SECURITY, SOVIET REP WAS SKEPTICAL, FEARING THAT IT MIGHT BE CUMBERSOME FOR HIM TO RAISE CHANGES WITH SOVIET AUTHORITIES AT THIS POINT AND THAT TO DO SO MIGHT UNHINGE THE UNDERSTANDING ON A DRAFT COMMUNIQUE ALREADY WORKED OUT. US REP INDICATED TO SOVIET REP THAT HE HAD TOLD ROMANIAN REP THAT HE HAD NO INTRINSIC OBJECTION TO ROMANIAN

IDEA ON THIS POINT BUT THAT ROMANIAN REP WAS TO BE REPROACHED FOR BEING SO LATE IN MAKING HIS PROPOSAL.

4. US REP RAISED FOR DISCUSSION IN AD HOC GROUP QUESTION OF WHETHER SOME FRIENDLY RESPONSE BY THE WEST MIGHT BE MADE WHEN ROMANIAN DELEGATE MADE HIS STATEMENT ON SUBJECT AT FINAL PLENARY.

5. ACTING BELGIAN REP (BURNY) REPORTED ON CONTACT WITH AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL (ZANETTI) WHOM HE HAD ASKED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON SCHOTTENRING PROPERTY. INFORMATION WAS NOT YET AVAILABLE, BUT AUSTRIAN POINTED OUT THAT REDUCED WESTERN SPACE REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE EASIER TO MEET.

6. ACTING BELGIAN REP ALSO LUNCHEDED WITH AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL AND POLISH REP (STRULAK) AT WHICH TIME AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL OFFICIALLY INFORMED THEM OF FORMAL APPROVAL OF VIENNA AS SITE FOR NEGOTIATIONS. AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL NOTED THAT DECISION HAD NOT LEAKED AND ASKED ABOUT ANNOUNCEMENT. ACTING BELGIAN REP SUGGESTED THAT NO ANNOUNCEMENT BE MADE UNTIL ISSUANCE OF FINAL COMMUNIQUE. POLISH REP TENTATIVELY AGREED, BUT WOULD CONSULT HIS GROUP. AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL STATED THAT AUSTRIANS WOULD REQUIRE 24 HOURS NOTICE BEFORE PLENARY (EARLIER AUSTRIAN REQUIREMENT HAD BEEN 48 HOURS). AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL ALSO POINTED OUT THAT JUNE 21 WAS AUSTRIAN HOLIDAY.

7. CANADIAN REP ASKED IF AUSTRIAN HAD INDICATED WHAT AUSTRIA WOULD BE PREPARED TO PAY FOR. US REP INTERJECTED THAT AUSTRIAN AUTHORITIES HAD BEEN WILLING TO COVER COSTS OF MEETING SPACE AND TRANSLATION SERVICE IN THE PAST, AND ASKED WHETHER IT WAS DESIRABLE TO RAISE QUESTION NOW. ACTING BELGIAN REP SUPPORTED US REP, SAYING THAT SINCE EVERYTHING HAD BEEN FREE, IT WAS BEST TO LEAVE THE QUESTION FOR THE AUSTRIANS TO RAISE AND THAT
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IF THEY DID HE WOULD MAKE AN APPROPRIATE SHOW OF ASTONISHMENT. US REP OBSERVED THAT SINCE QUESTION HAD NEVER BEEN RAISED BEFORE, IT SEEMED UNLIKELY THAT IT WOULD BE NOW.

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